

## NOAA Teacher at Sea Jeffrey Grevert Onboard NOAA Ship DELAWARE II June 8 - 16, 2005

14 June 2005 Clam Survey Leg 2 Day 7 NOAAS R/V Delaware II

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At 1200 hours our position and the surrounding meteorological conditions were as follows:

Latitude: 40° 28' N Longitude: 69° 27' W Visibility: < 1nm Wind Direction: 230° Wind Speed: 12 kts Sea Wave Height: 1 ft. Swell Wave Height: 3 ft. Sea Water Temp: 10.3° C Sea Level Pressure: 1004.1 mb Cloud Cover: 1/8 (Altocumulus)



0000-0600



Went on watch. Conducted a few trawls which yielded ocean quahogs. Bycatch included little skates and starfish. At the end of my watch I ate breakfast and went to sleep.

1200-1800

Conducted more successful trawls. This was the first day that my watch had two uninterrupted watches. We got a lot of work done and had good clam yields. Interesting bycatch included a goosefish. Not knowing any better, my cabin mate stuck his

hand in the goosefish's mouth and got bitten. At the end of my watch I ate dinner and went to work on my lesson plans.

On the next watch the dredge hit an underwater rock field and got mangled. The crew and scientists successfully replaced the front blade assembly with a spare. This halted operations for a while but soon we were back to work.

-Jeff Grevert

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